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Department of Toxic Substances Control

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NOTICE OF FINAL PERMIT DECISION

for
HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT
BOILER AND INDUSTRIAL FURNACE
DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY, PITTSBURG
901 LOVERIDGE ROAD
PITTSBURG, CALIFORNIA
EPA ID No. CAD 076528678

Decision Date: March 21, 2003

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In accordance with the California Health and Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.5, and the California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66271.14, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has made a final decision to approve the hazardous waste facility boiler and industrial furnace permit for the Dow Chemical Company, Pittsburg, California.

DTSC held a public comment period initially from October 26, 2001 to December 14, 2001 on the draft Boiler and Industrial Furnace (BIF) Permit and draft CEQA Initial Study and Negative Declaration. A public hearing was held on November 28, 2001. In response to public request, DTSC held a second public comment period from September 20, 2002 through November 8, 2002. A display advertisement was placed in Contra Costa Times. Copies of the notice and fact sheet were mailed to the facility mailing list (1166 persons). DTSC held a second public workshop and public hearing on the draft BIF Permit and CEQA Initial Study and Negative Declaration on October 24, 2002. A Spanish interpreter provided by DTSC was a vailable during public workshop and public hearing. DTSC received oral and written comments during the public comment period including the public hearing. DTSC has considered all comments carefully and have prepared a Response to Comments (RTC) document.

The Final Permit Decision becomes effective on April 28, 2002 unless a review is requested pursuant to Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 66271.18. The Permit shall be in effect for a period of ten years.

Changes from the Draft to the Final Permit:

The Draft Permit and Negative Declaration were finalized without any changes or modifications.

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Availability of Documents:

Final documents pertaining to this project including DTSC's Response to Comments and the Final Permit are available for review by the public at the following location:

Pittsburg Public Library 65 Civic Avenue Pittsburg, California 94565

DTSC File Room, 700 Heinz Avenue Berkeley, CA 94710 (510) 540-3800 http://www.dtsc.ca.gov

This decision may be appealed in accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66271.18. Any person who filed comments on the draft permit during the comment period may petition DTSC to review any condition of the permit decision. Persons who did not file comments on these documents may petition for administrative review only on changes that were made from the draft to the final permit. The petition shall include a statement of the reasons supporting the review, including a demonstration that any issues being raised were raised during the public comment period (including any public hearing) to the extent required by the regulations and when appropriate, a showing that the condition in question is based on: 1) a finding of fact or conclusion of law which is clearly erroneous, or 2) an exercise of discretion or an important policy consideration which DTSC should, in its discretion, review. Petitions must be submitted by April 23, 2003. Petitions must be sent to:

Watson Gin, Deputy Director Hazardous Waste Management Program Department of Toxic Substances Control P.O. Box 806 Sacramento, California 95812-0806

A copy of the petition should also be sent to:

Mohinder S. Sandhu, P.E., Chief Standardized Permits and Corrective Action Branch Department of Toxic Substances Control 700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200 Berkeley, CA 94710 Notice of Final Permit Decision Dow Chemical Company Pittsburg, California March 19, 2003 Page 3

Please bring this notice to the attention of all persons who might be interested in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Waqar Ahmad at (510) 540-3932 or wahmad@dtsc.ca.gov

/signed by/		
Mohinder S. Sandhu, P.E., Chief	Date:	3-19-2003
Standardized Permits and Corrective Action Branch		